IS THAT...
THE SUN?

THE SHADOWS...AND THE ABYSS...

...AND
...AND...WHERE
ARE WE?

IN OUR BEDROOM. GYRUS ARE YOU OKAY?
I THINK I HAD DREAM... A BAD ONE.

SIT

WELL
YOU KNOW
WHAT HELPS
WITH THAT.

KNOCK

KNOCK

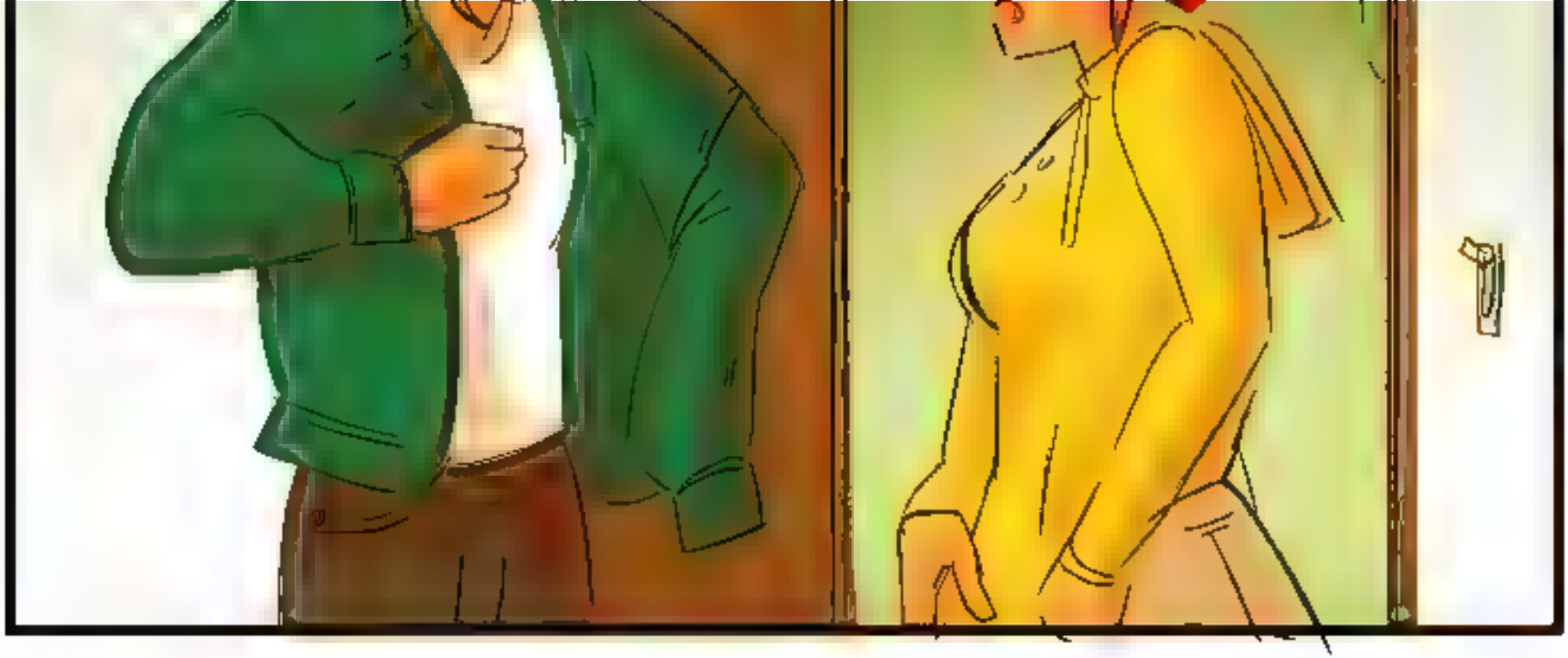
Пиздец!
THE PARTY!

WHAT PARTY?

I'M COMING!

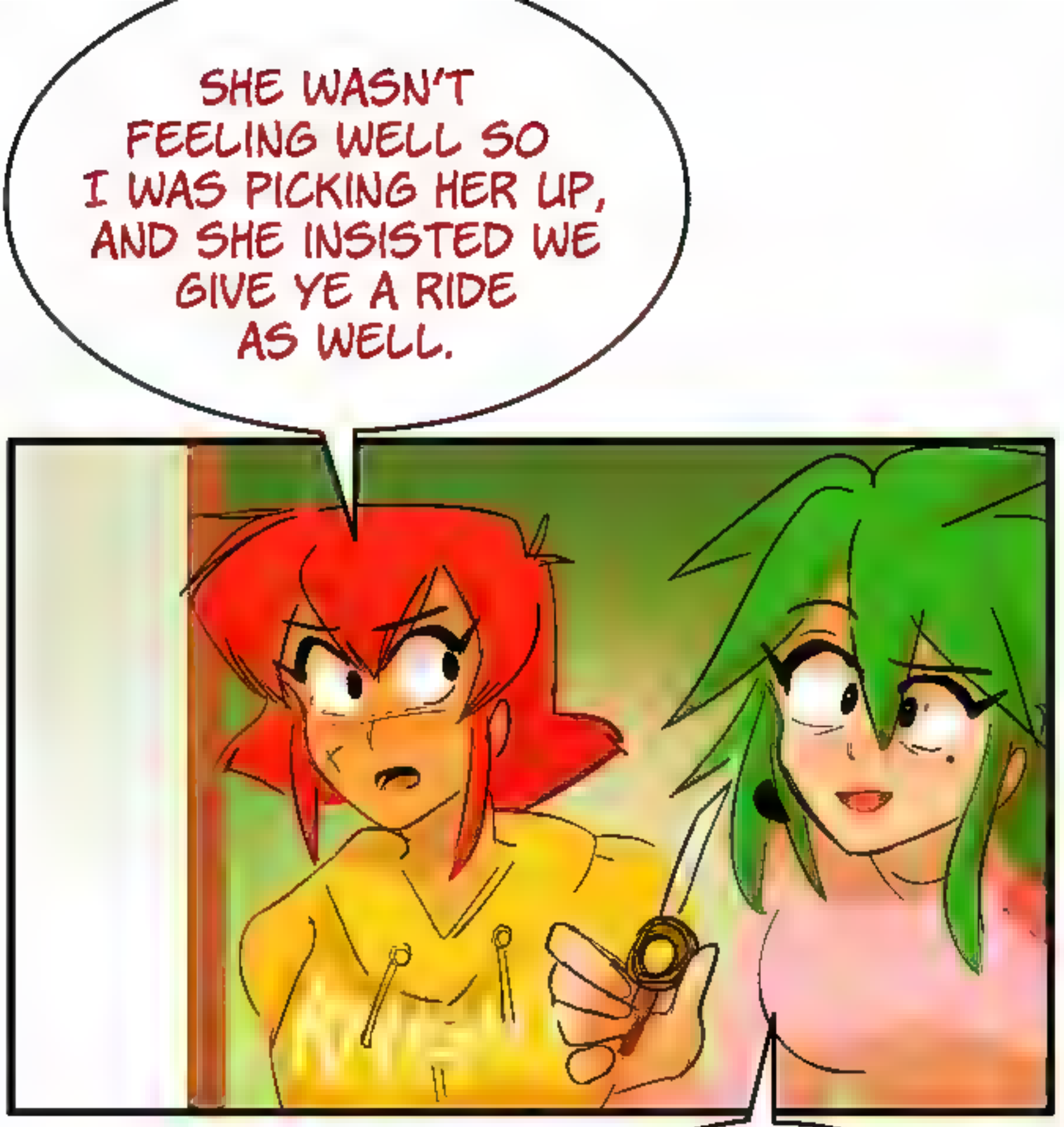
TAK
TAK

WHY ARE
YE STILL ASLEEP
AT THIS HOUR?



HOW DID YOU GET IN MY HOUSE?

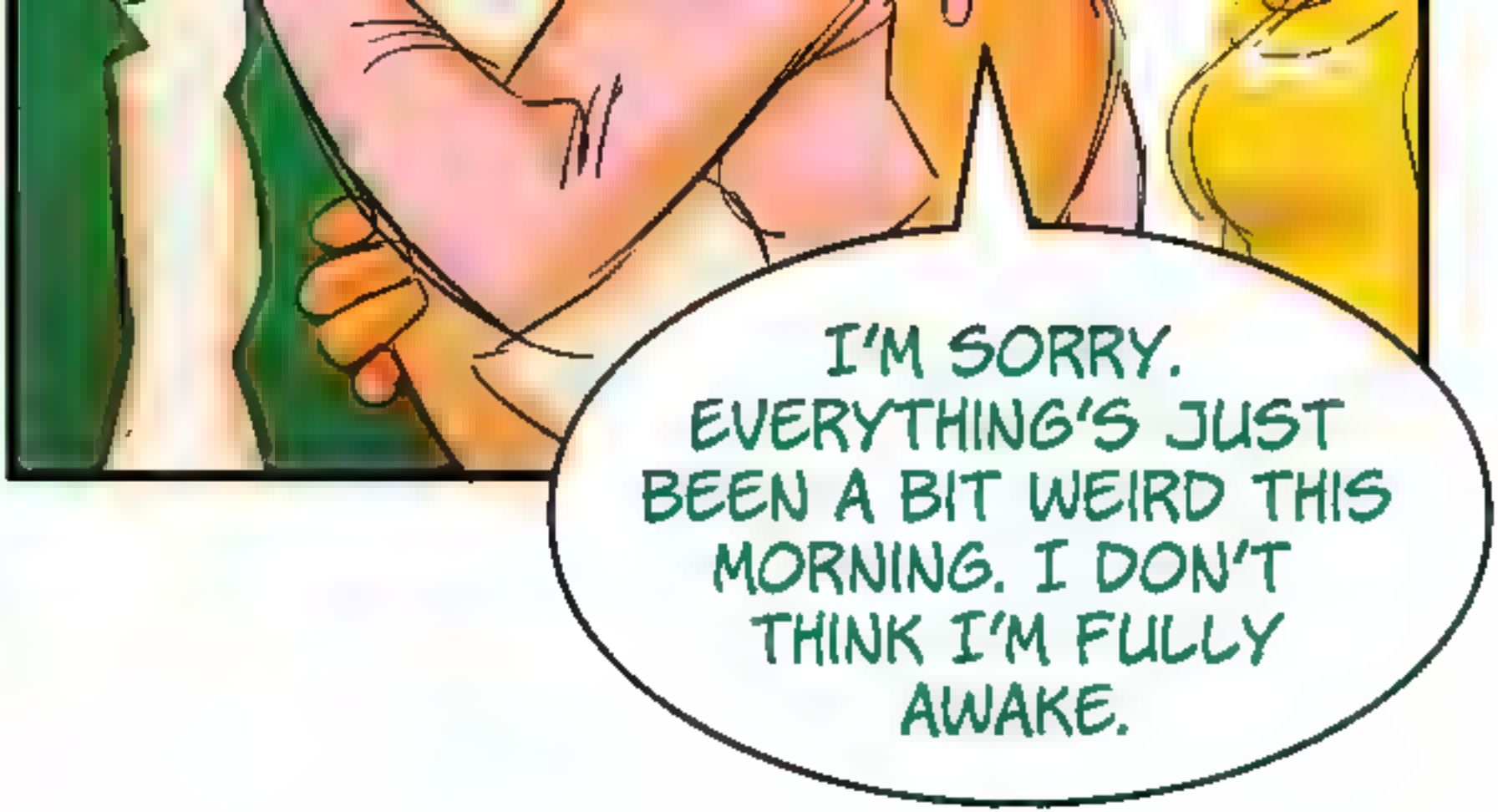
AMELIA
LET ME IN.


SHE WASN'T FEELING WELL SO I WAS PICKING HER UP, AND SHE INSISTED WE GIVE YE A RIDE AS WELL.

YOU GAVE ME THE KEY TO YOUR HOUSE, REMEMBER?

I...GUESS? I DON'T REMEMBER DOING THAT MOM.

AW! IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE YOU CALLED ME MOM.


I'M SORRY. EVERYTHING'S JUST BEEN A BIT WEIRD THIS MORNING. I DON'T THINK I'M FULLY AWAKE.

I UNDERSTAND.
I WOKE UP FEELING SO TIRED I FELT LIKE I'D JUST MOVED THE UNIVERSE.

BUT DON'T WORRY. I'M ALREADY FEELING A BIT BETTER!

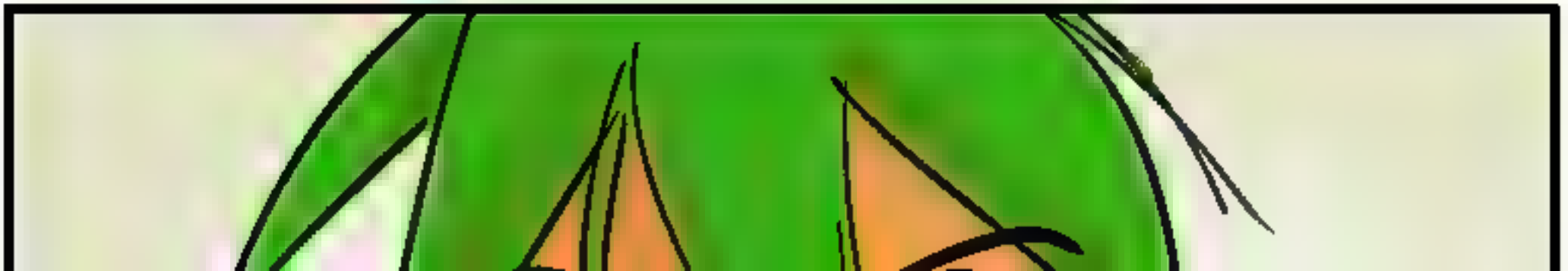
I HATE TO INTERRUPT, BUT WE ARE STILL RUNNING LATE. OR DID YE FORGET ABOUT THE PARTY?

YES ACTUALLY. WHAT ARE WE CELEBRATING?

I CAN'T RECALL.

KNIGHTS

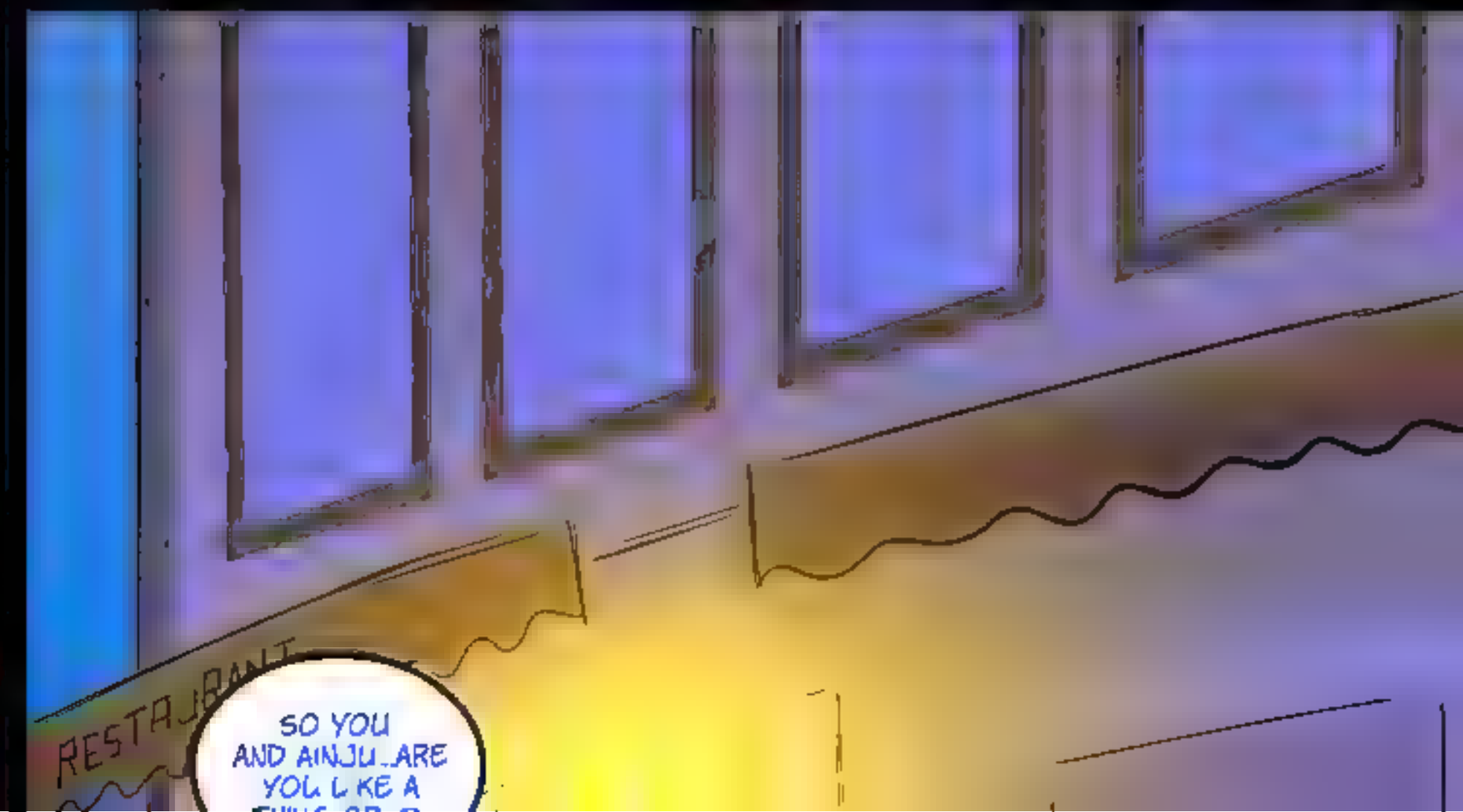
I'M SURE IT WILL COME BACK TO US. BUT FOR NOW WE SHOULD GET GOING. THE OTHERS ARE WAITING!
NOD



O..KAY...

WE'RE HERE.

OLI'S
RESTAURANT!


RESTAURANT
SO YOU AND AINJU..ARE YOU LIKE A

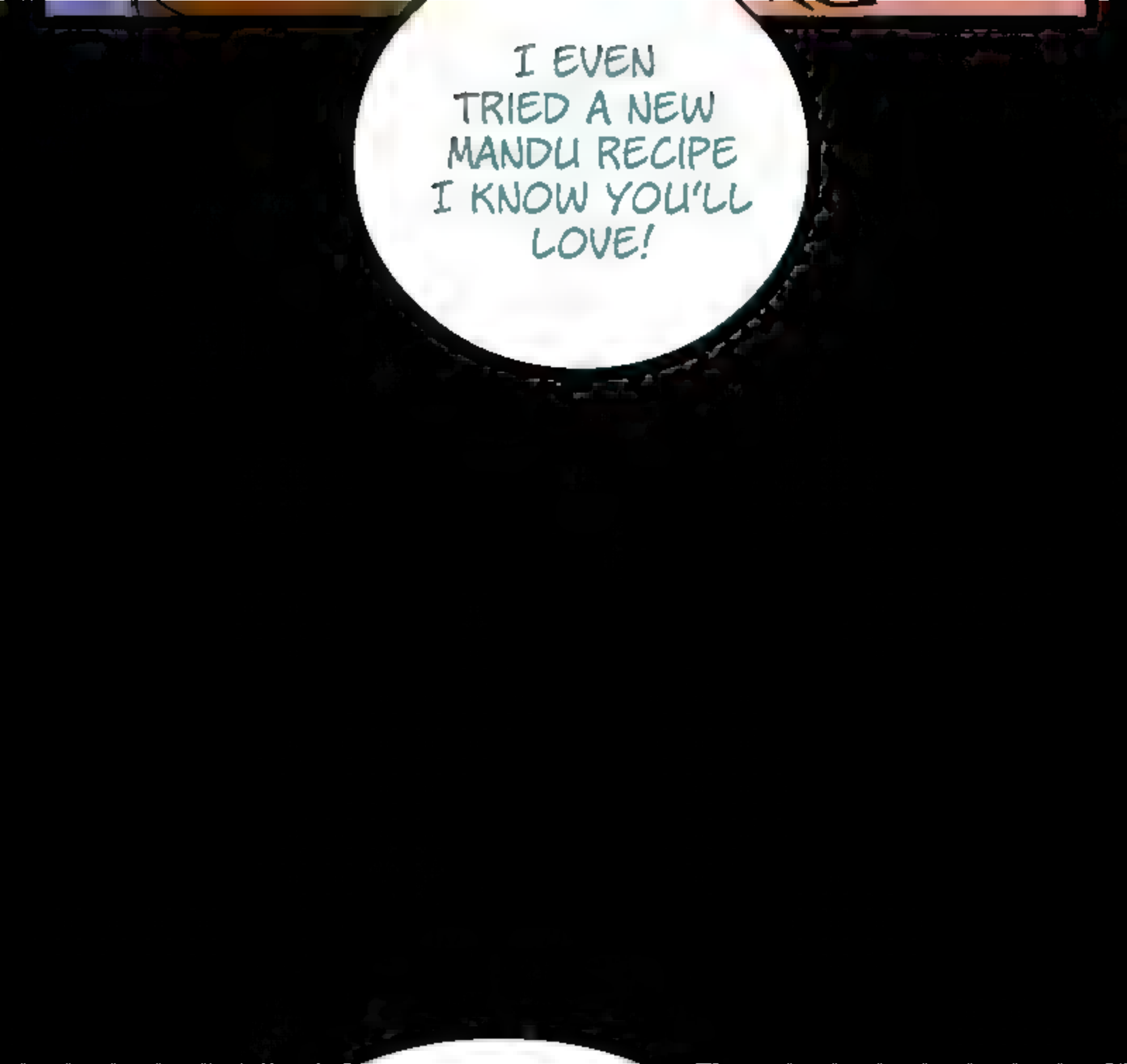
THING OR..?
YOU'RE USING IT WRONG. YOU GOTTA PUSH HIS SIDE BUTTON. THAT'S RIGHT. NOW EVERYONE ON THE INTERNET IS GONNA BE JEALOUS OF OUR MEAL.
WHY IS TECHNOLOGY SO COMPLICATED?
MAYBE I'M JUST REALLY INTERESTED IN THE BUDDHIST PRINCIPLES DID YOU EVER THINK OF THAT?

WAIT. HOW LONG HAS OLI ACTUALLY HAD A RESTAURANT?

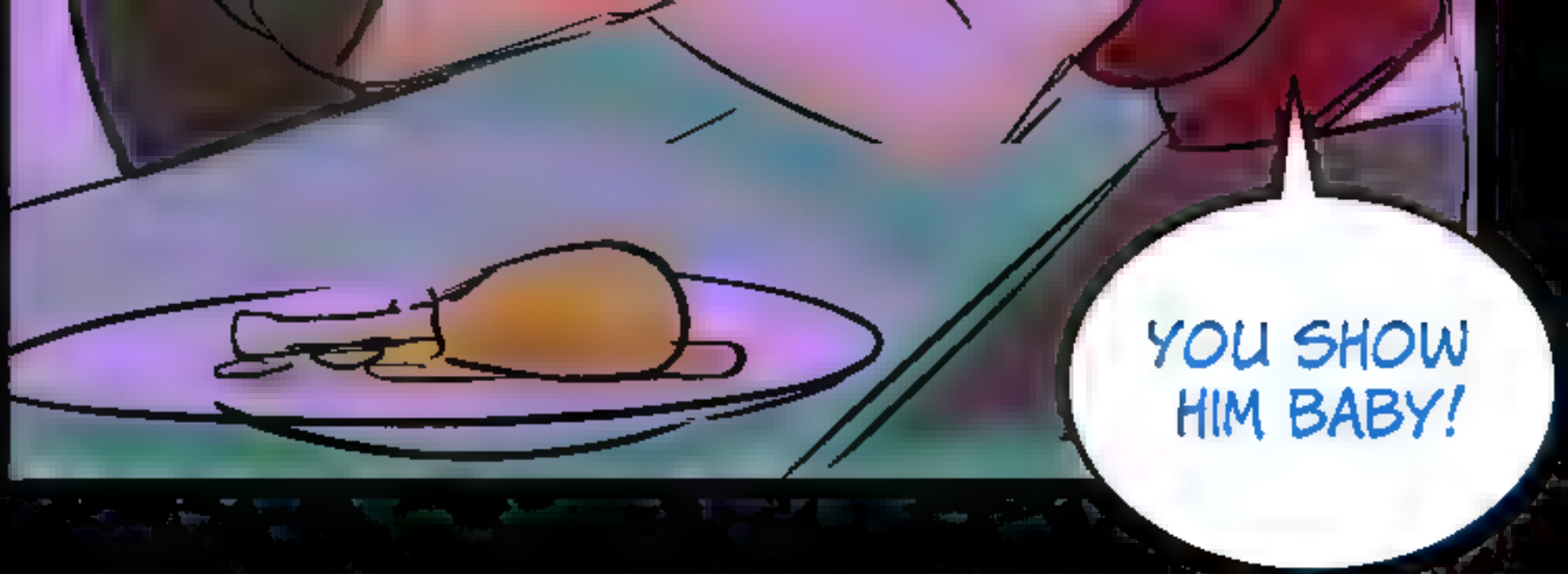
A WHILE?
WE AREN'T CELEBRATING IT'S OPENING IF THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE ASKING.

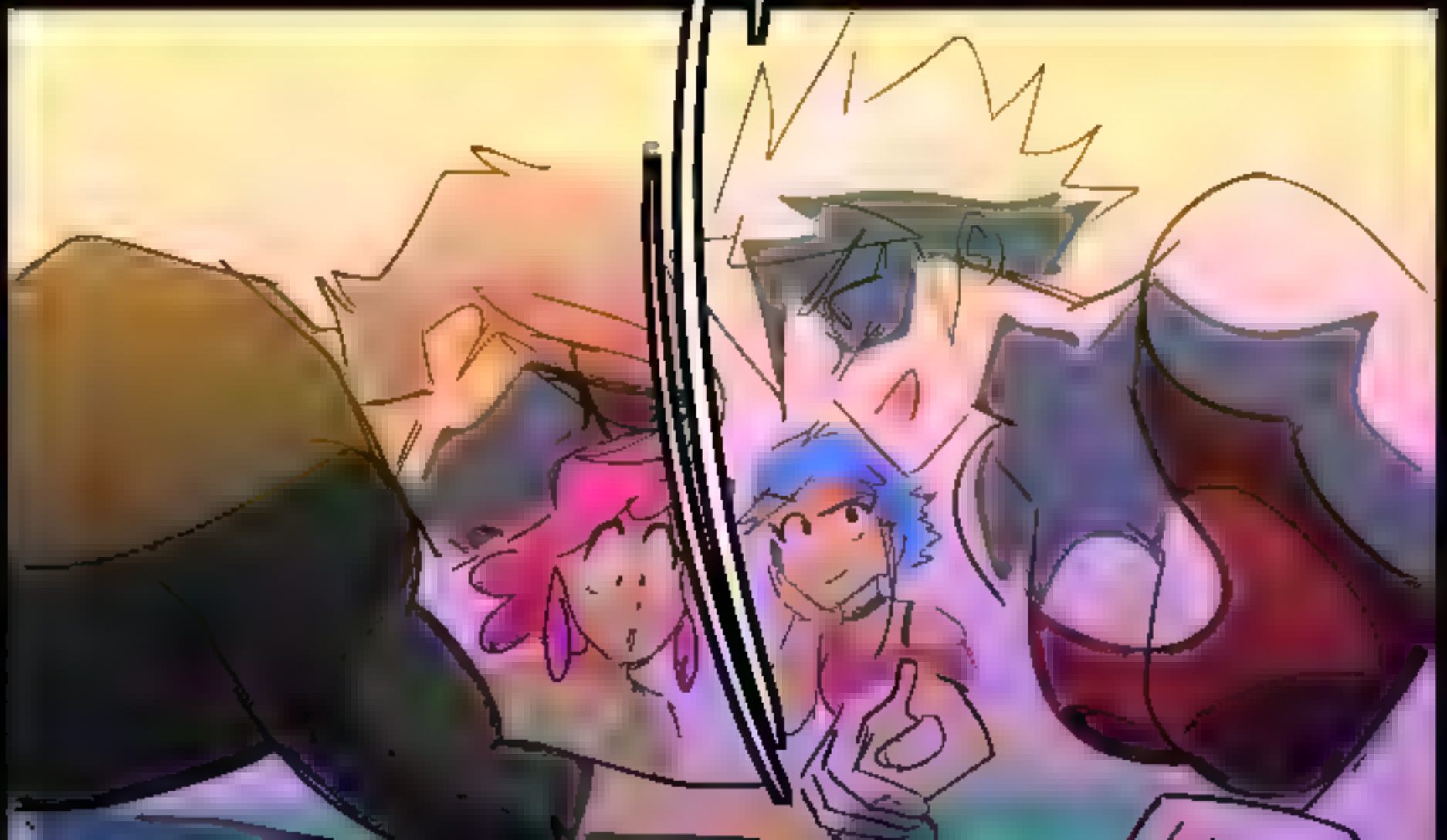
GUYS!
YOU MADE IT!

EVERYONE HAS ALREADY STARTED EATING, BUT DON'T WORRY! I'VE GOT A WHOLE TRUCK OF SUPPLIES THAT JUST ARRIVED! SO GO AHEAD AND ORDER ANYTHING!


I EVEN TRIED A NEW MANDU RECIPE I KNOW YOU'LL LOVE!

YOU CALL THAT ARM WRESTLING? *HA!* YOU'RE USING TWO HANDS I'M NOT EVEN BREAKING A SWEAT!

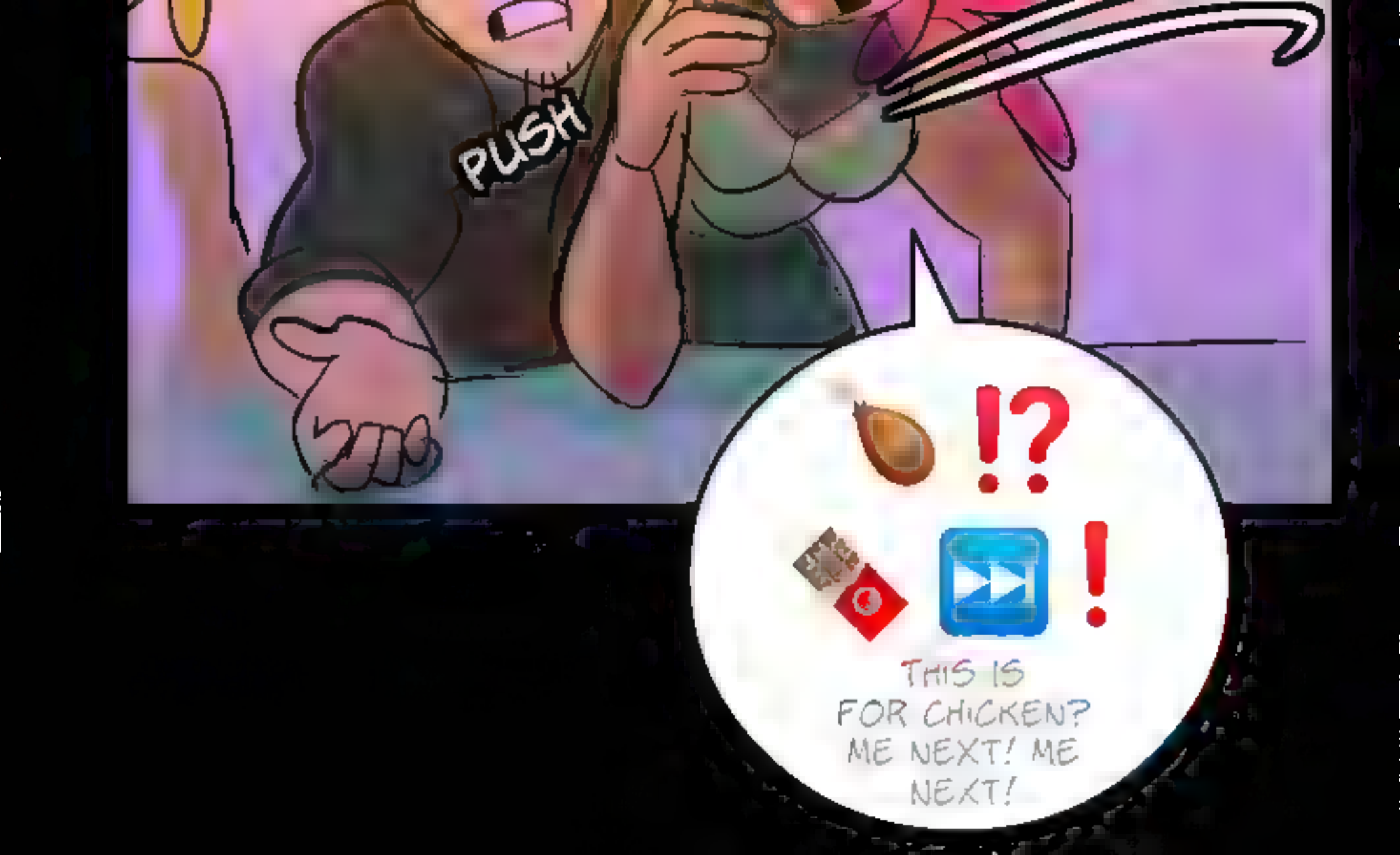

YOU SHOW HIM BABY!

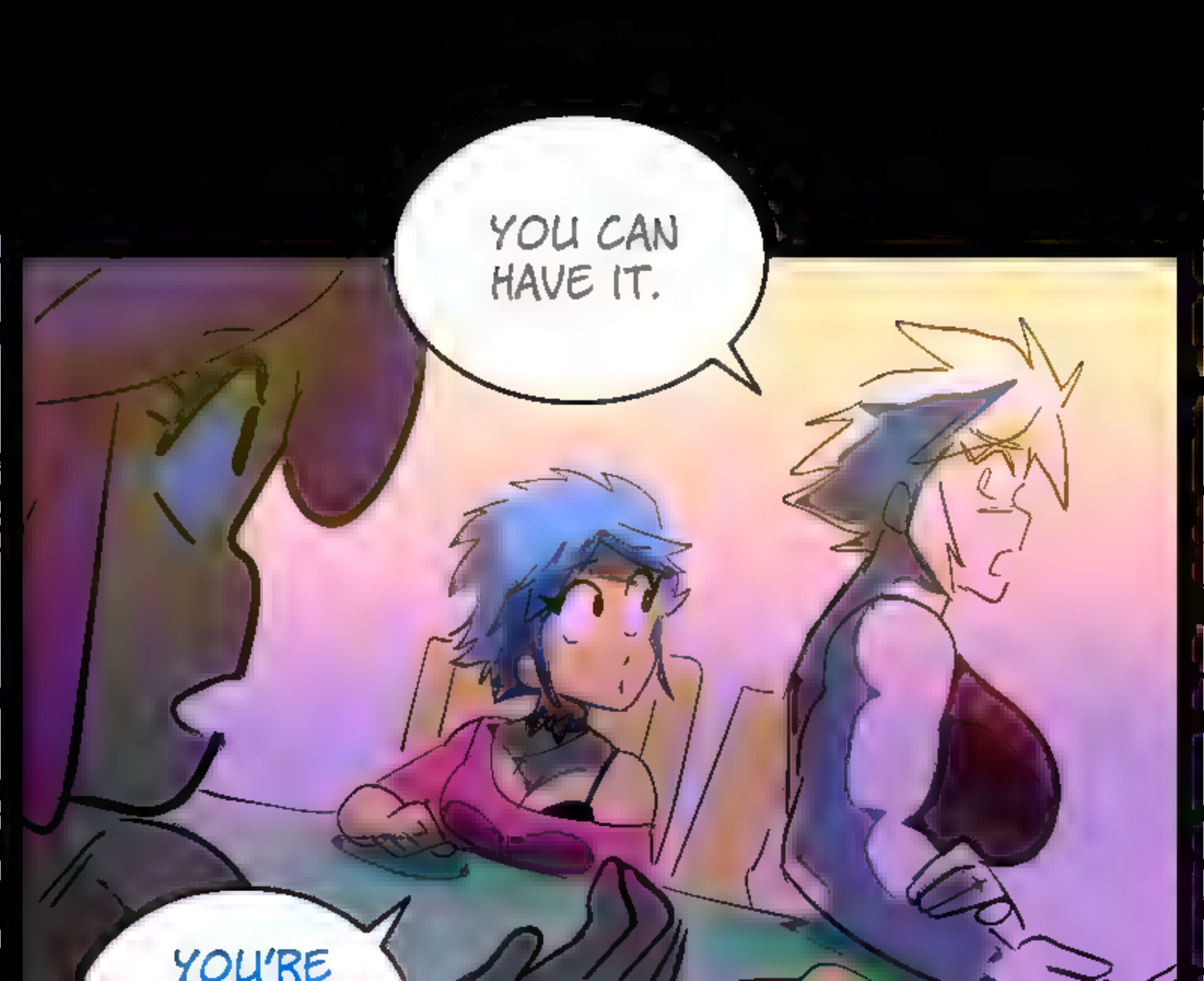


DAMN IT!

TOO EASY.
PATHETIC. ALL THAT CONFIDENCE AND YOU STILL COULDN'T

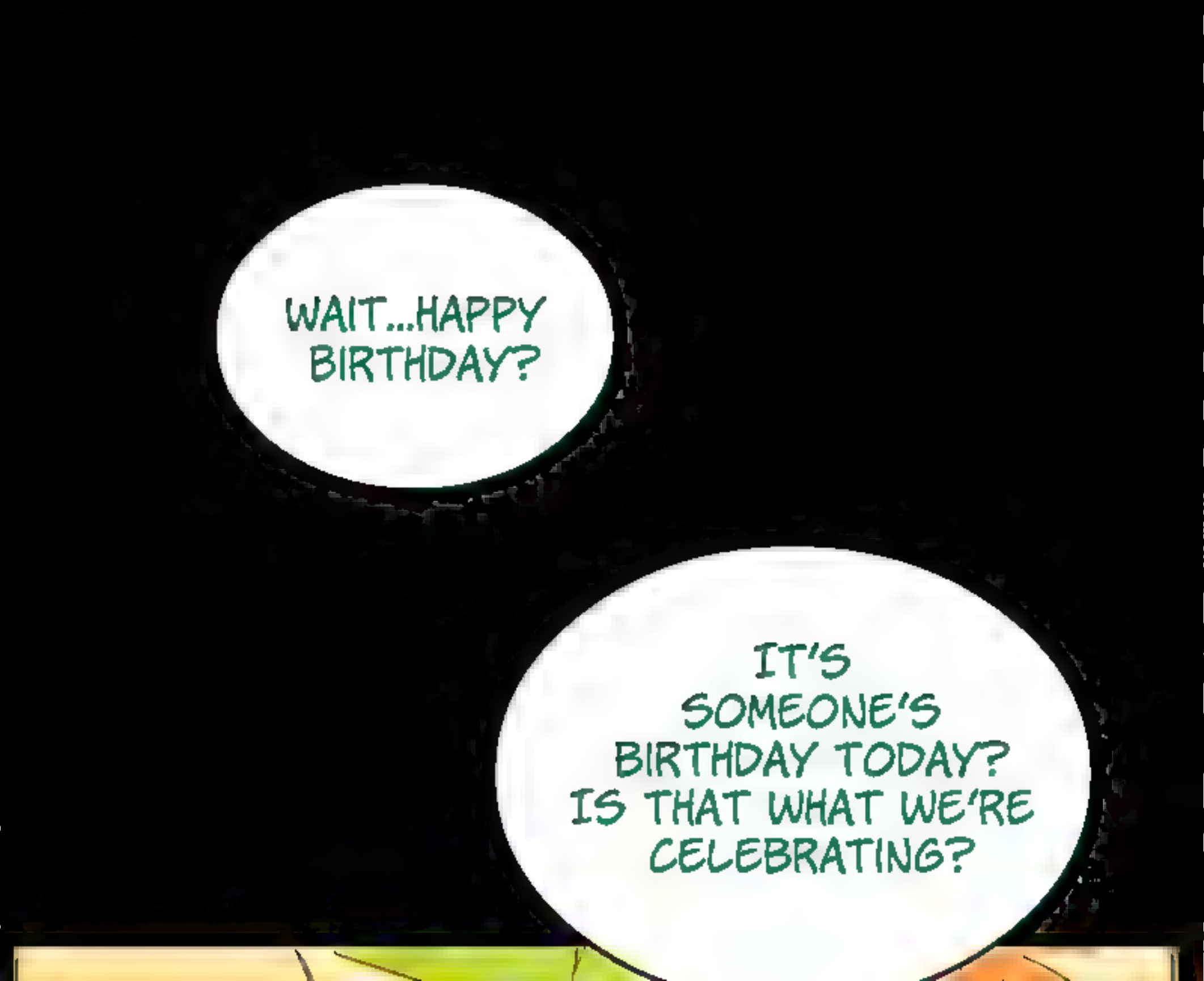
WIN THAT CHICKEN WING.
MAYBE NEXT TIME YOU'LL
KNOW BETTER THAN
TO GET BETWEEN A
GIRL AND HER
FOOD.


PUSH
!?
!
THIS IS FOR CHICKEN? ME NEXT! ME NEXT!


YOU CAN HAVE IT.
YOU'RE

GIVING UP JUST LIKE THAT?
SHE'S PROBABLY HUNGRIER.

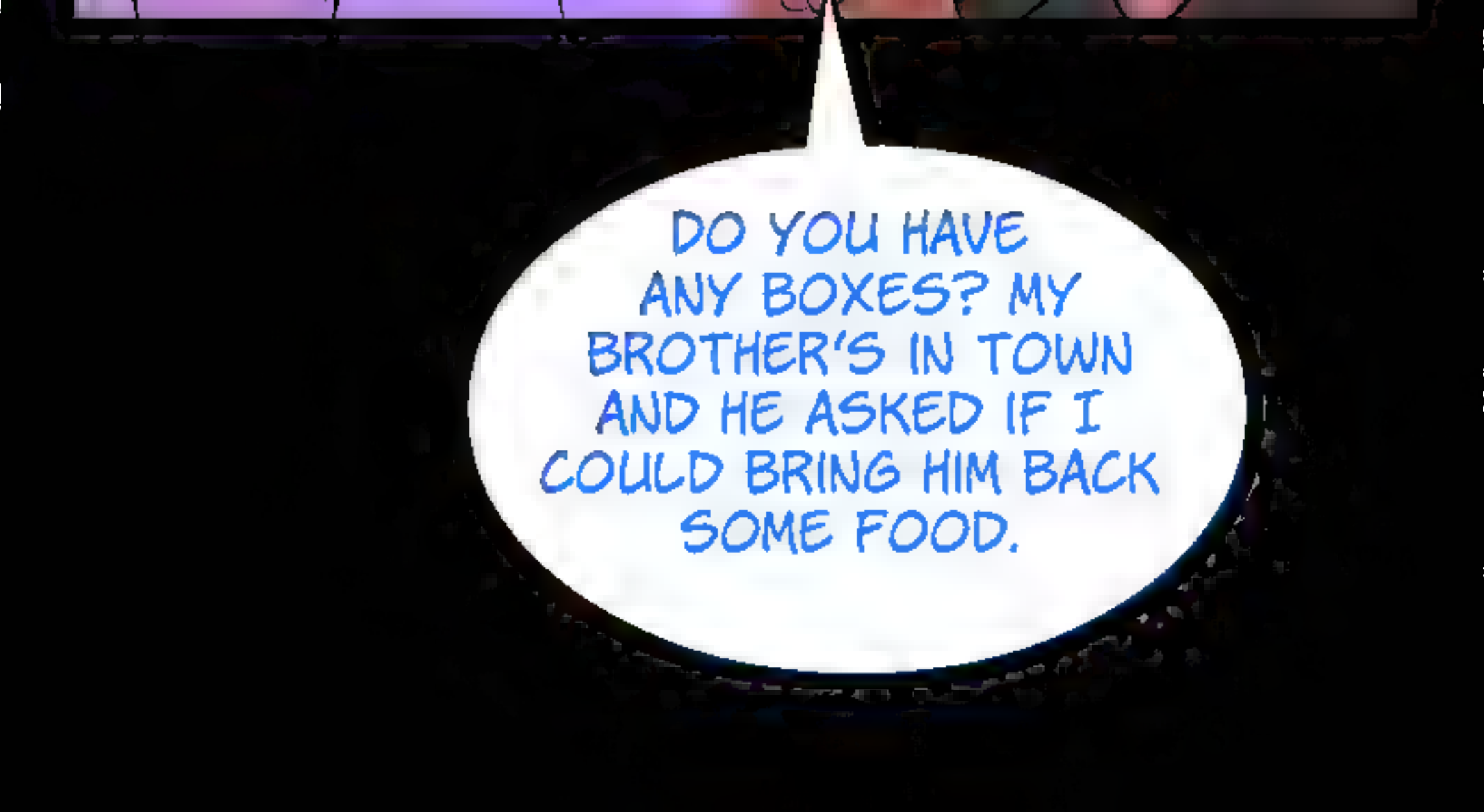
THAT'S IT WE'RE WRESTLING AGAIN.
BRING IT!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!


WAIT...HAPPY BIRTHDAY?
IT'S SOMEONE'S BIRTHDAY TODAY? IS THAT WHAT WE'RE CELEBRATING?

NO, BUT IT WAS THE ONLY BANNER IN THE STORE. I FIGURED I'D GET IT SINCE EVEN IF I CAN'T REMEMBER WHY, I KNOW I OWE EVERYONE A FREE MEAL. A BIRTHDAY SEEMS AS GOOD AN EXCUSE AS ANY.

WAIT. YOU DON'T REMEMBER WHY WE'RE CELEBRATING EITHER?

OLI! MY MAN! THESE ARE SOOO DELICIOUS!


DO YOU HAVE ANY BOXES? MY BROTHER'S IN TOWN AND HE ASKED IF I COULD BRING HIM BACK SOME FOOD.

DO YOU REMEMBER WHY WE'RE CELEBRATING MARIA?

HMMM. IT'S FUZZY. BUT I'M SURE IT WILL COME TO ME EVENTUALLY.

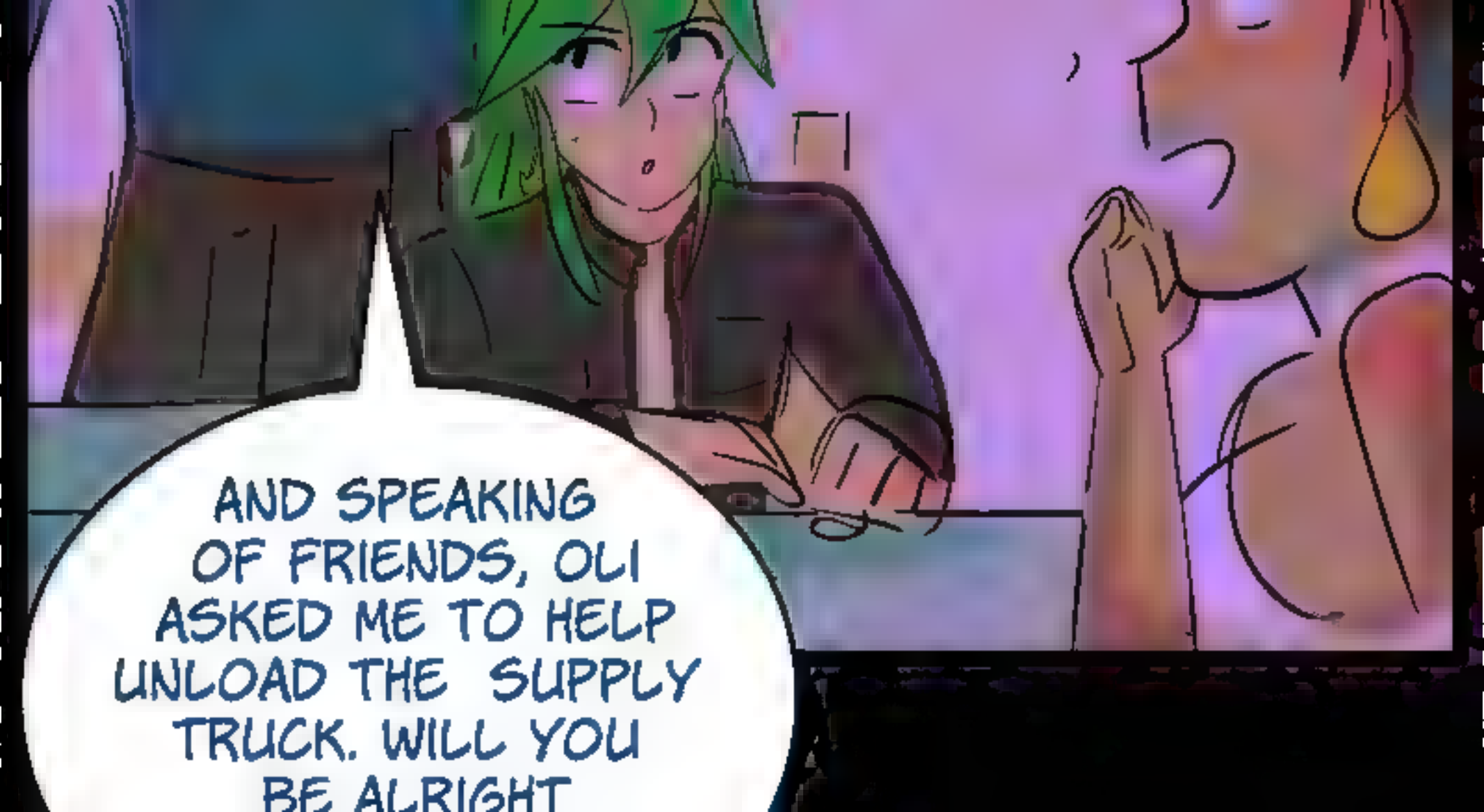
GUYS!

NEPHTHYS!
WHAT ARE

YOU DOING STANDING AROUND? I RESERVED SOME CHAIRS FOR YOU RIGHT HERE! COME AND JOIN US!

SIT
HEY NEPH,
HOW HAVE YOU BEEN?
KODYA'S BEEN BRAGGING
ABOUT YOUR NEW JOB
AT THE INFIRMARY.

OH KODY! THAT'S SO SWEET! HEHE!
NOTHING WRONG WITH PRAISING A FRIEND.

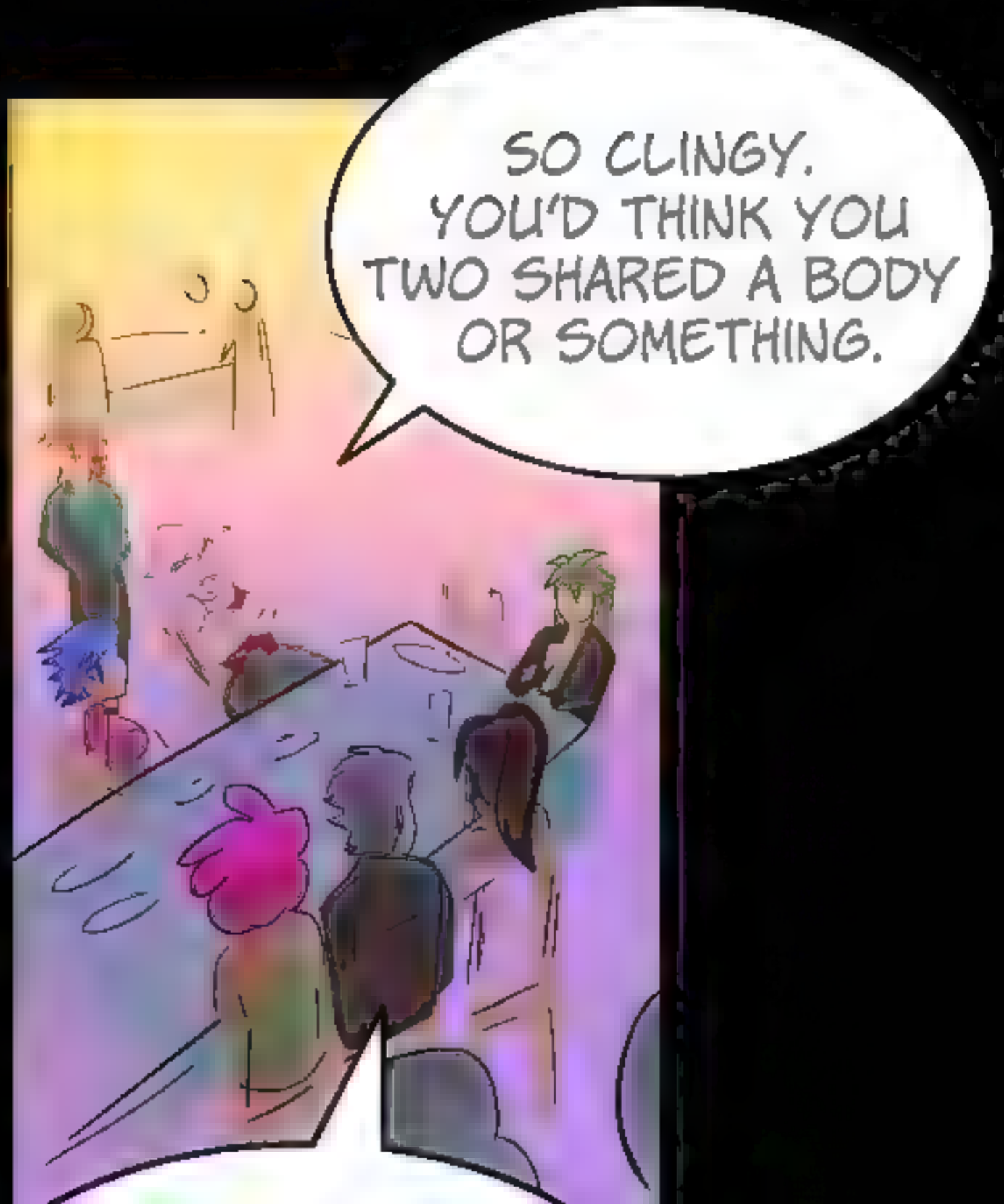

AND SPEAKING OF FRIENDS, OLI ASKED ME TO HELP UNLOAD THE SUPPLY TRUCK. WILL YOU BE ALRIGHT

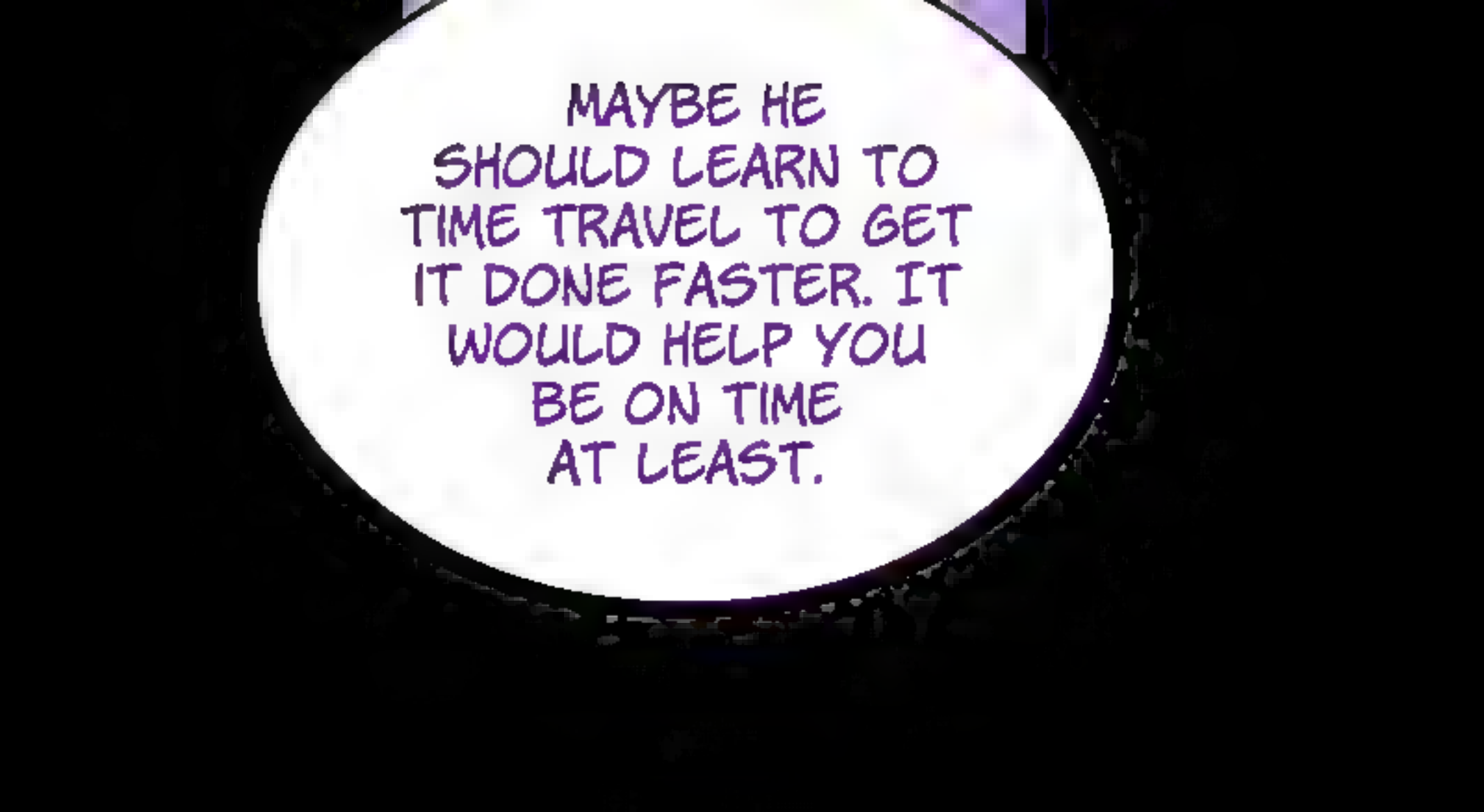
WITHOUT ME?

LOOK AT YOU TWO, JOINED AT THE HIP! DON'T WORRY SO MUCH KODYA. HE'S A GROWN MAN! HE CAN HANDLE BEING WITHOUT YOU FOR A LITTLE WHILE. WE WON'T EAT HIM.

OKAY.

OKAY. I GET IT. SEE YOU LATER.

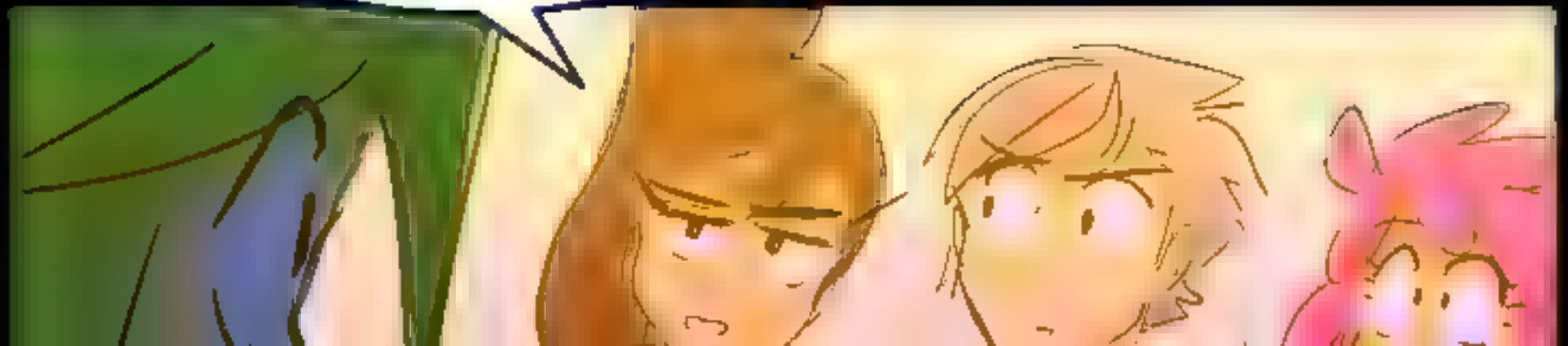

SO CLINGY.
YOU'D THINK YOU TWO SHARED A BODY OR SOMETHING.

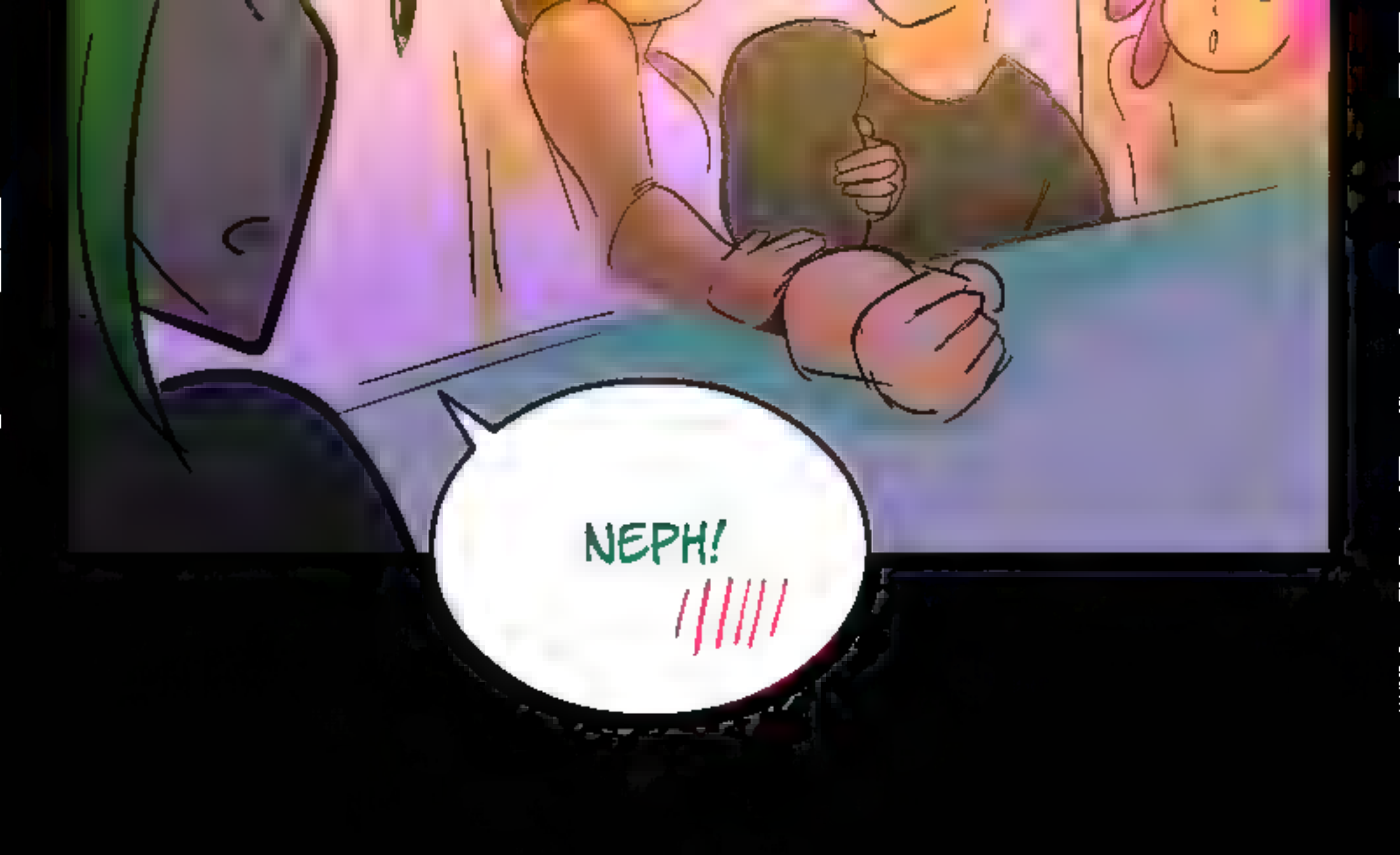

MAYBE HE SHOULD LEARN TO TIME TRAVEL TO GET IT DONE FASTER. IT WOULD HELP YOU BE ON TIME AT LEAST.

WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG ANYWAYS?
I'M SORRY

CAPTAIN...EHEM. IRO. I GUESS I'M JUST HAVING AN OFF DAY.

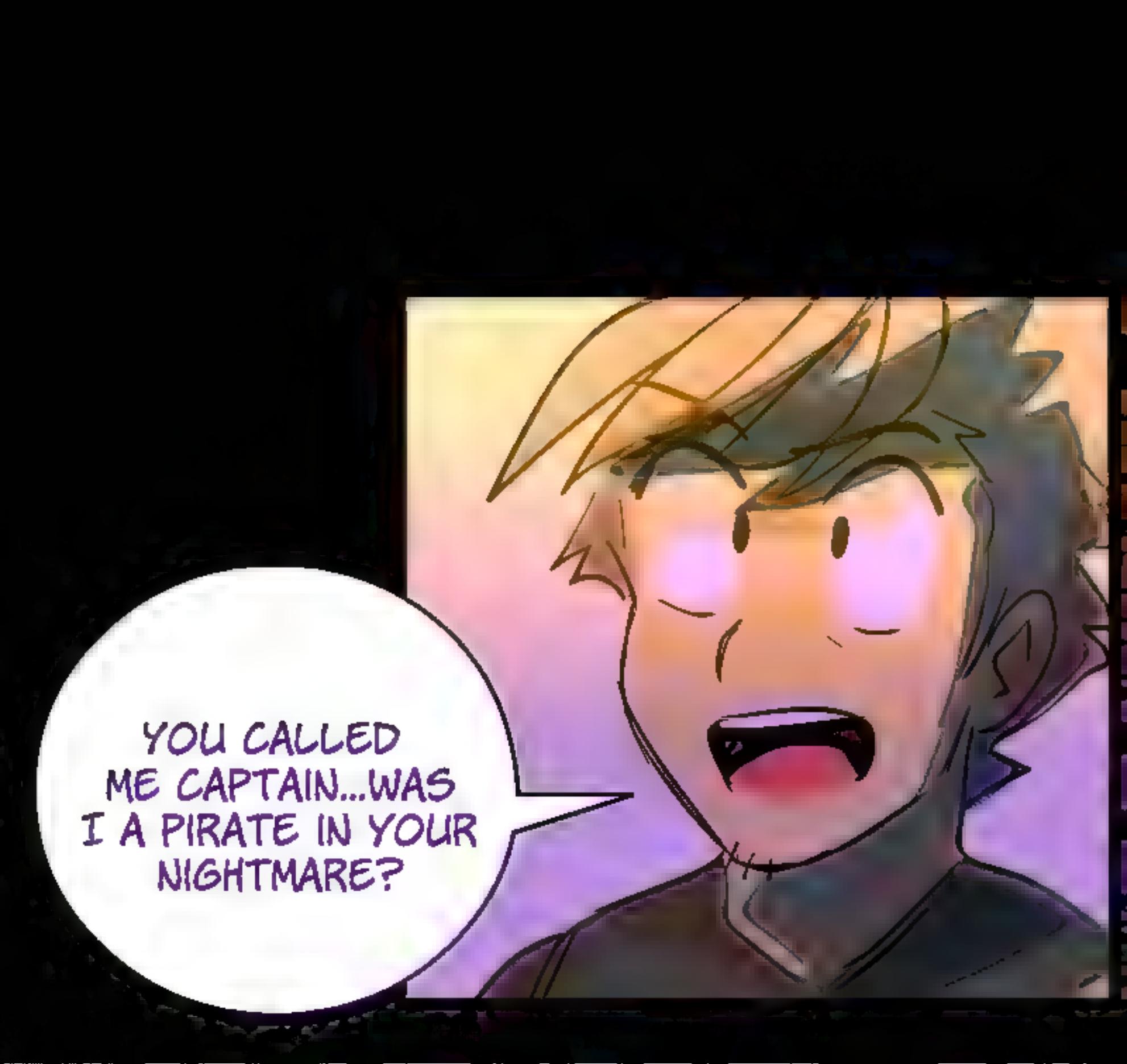
YOU SURE? OR DID YOU AND KODY GET *DISTRACTED?*




NEPH!

WHAT? YOU'VE BEEN SLOWER SINCE YOU MOVED IN WITH KODYA. IT DOESN'T TAKE A GENIUS TO PUT TWO AND TWO TOGETHER.

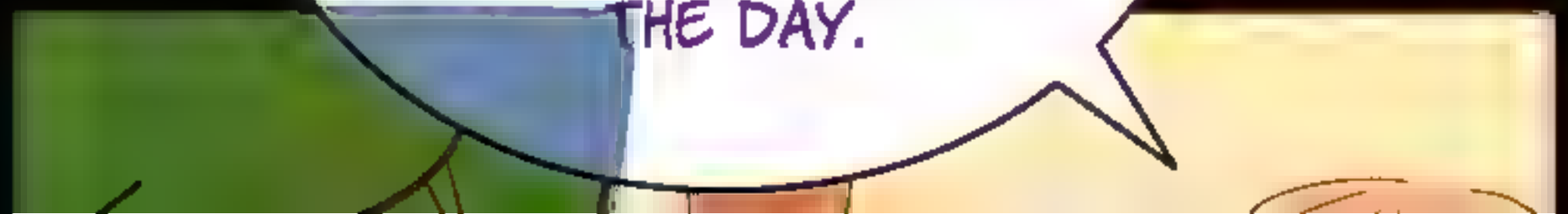
AH HAH,
NO. IT'S NOT THAT.
I JUST HAD A BAD
DREAM AND HAVE BEEN
A LITTLE OUT OF IT
EVER SINCE.


YOU CALLED ME CAPTAIN...WAS I A PIRATE IN YOUR NIGHTMARE?

NO...YOU WERE THE CAPTAIN OF MY RESEARCH TEAM AT VSC. WE WERE WORKING TO TRACK DOWN THE COCKROACH KING ACROSS TIME AND SPACE WHEN THINGS WENT ...WRONG.

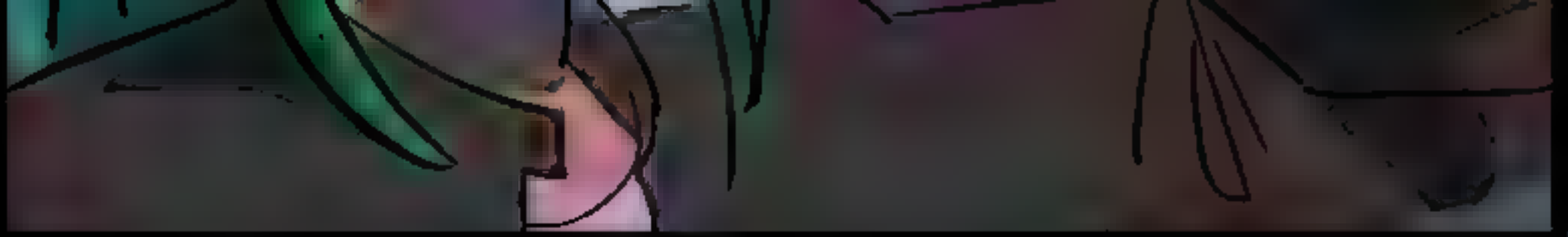
A COCKROACH KING? THAT DOES SEEM STRANGE.

I DON'T KNOW, I THINK I'D MAKE A VERY COOL CAPTAIN. I COULD TRAVEL AROUND DIFFERENT TIMELINES AND SAVE THE DAY.



DON'T BE SILLY. IT WAS A NIGHTMARE. YOU PROBABLY DIED HORRIBLY.

HEY.



I FINISHED UNLOADING, BUT THEY DIDN'T BRING ENOUGH

TOMATOES. DO YOU WANT TO GO WITH ME TO BUY SOME?
SORRY ABOUT THIS...
OH,

SURE
KODYA.

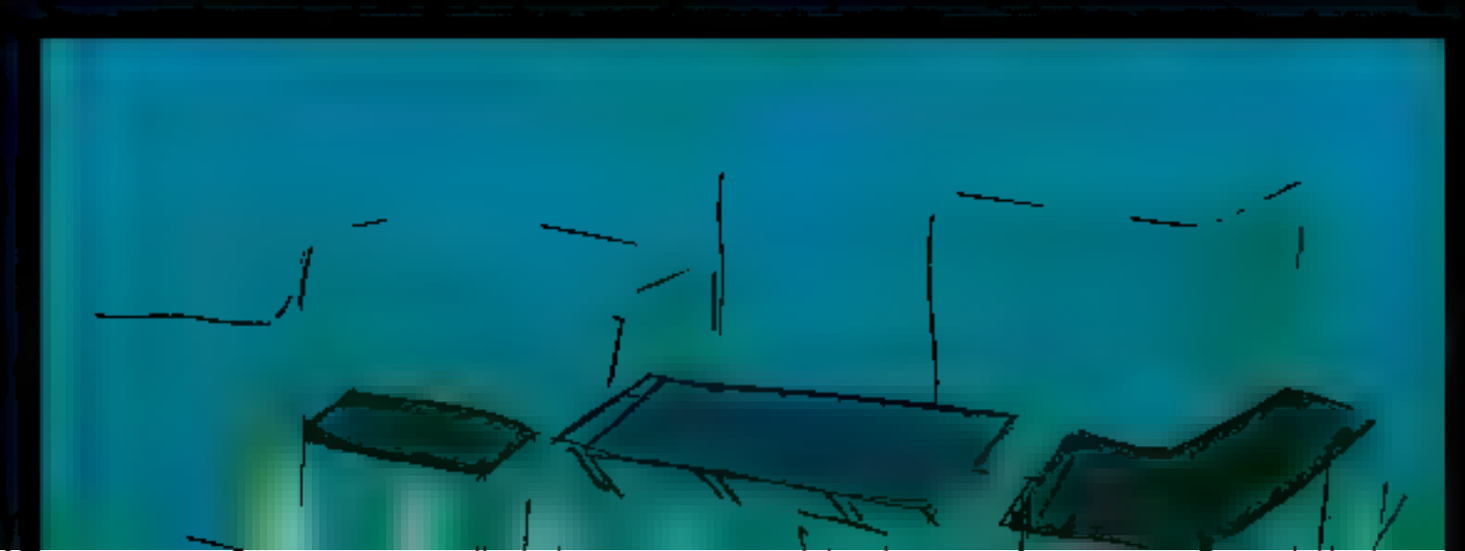
WE'LL BE BACK IN A BIT, SORRY NEPH.

WAIT!

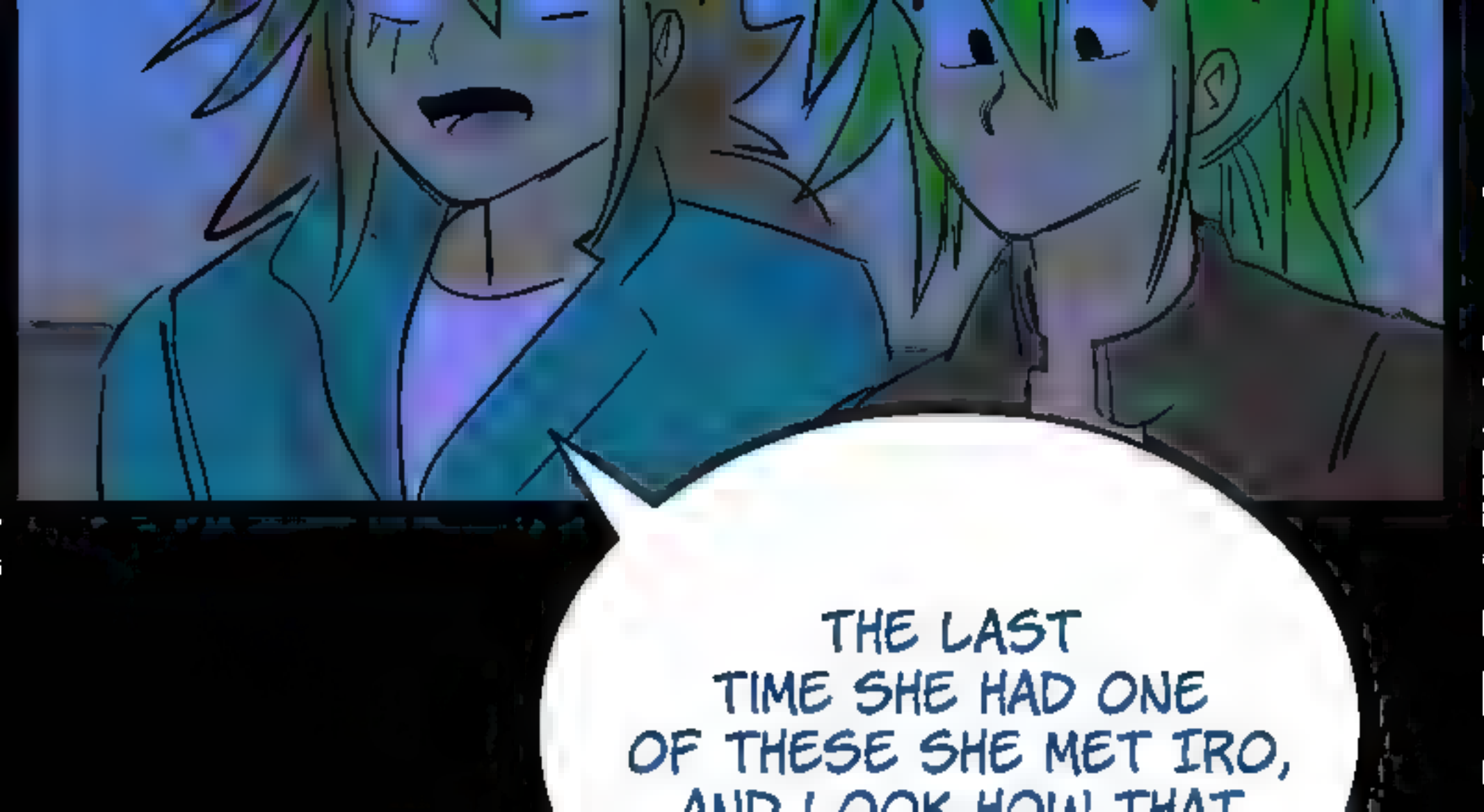
I SAW
A SMALL FRUIT
AND VEGETABLE SHOP
RIGHT AROUND
THE CORNER.

IT'S CLOSER
THAN THE SUPERMARKET,
AND I HAVE A GOOD
FEELING ABOUT IT!

YOU SHOULD CHECK IT OUT!

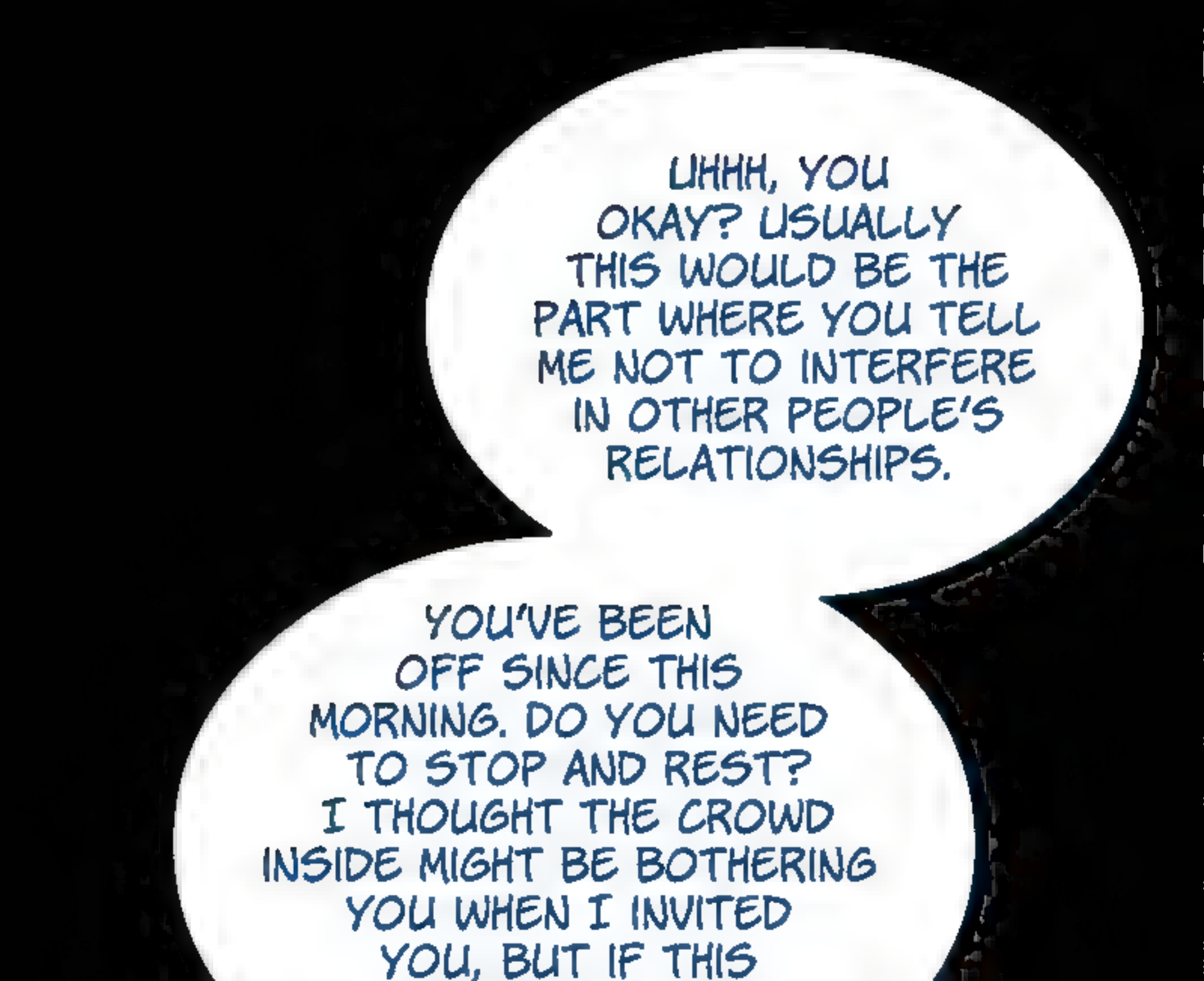


AH YES,
ANOTHER OF NEPH'S
"GOOD FEELINGS." I CAN'T
WAIT TO SEE HOW THIS ONE
BLOWS UP IN
OUR FACES.


THE LAST
TIME SHE HAD ONE
OF THESE SHE MET IRO,

AND LOOK HOW THAT TURNED OUT.

NOW THEY'RE TOGETHER AND WE'VE ALL GOT TO DEAL WITH HIM. IS IT TOO EARLY TO TRY AND BREAK THEM UP?


UHHH, YOU OKAY? USUALLY THIS WOULD BE THE PART WHERE YOU TELL ME NOT TO INTERFERE IN OTHER PEOPLE'S RELATIONSHIPS.
YOU'VE BEEN OFF SINCE THIS MORNING. DO YOU NEED TO STOP AND REST? I THOUGHT THE CROWD INSIDE MIGHT BE BOTHERING YOU WHEN I INVITED YOU, BUT IF THIS

ISN'T HELPING WE CAN GO BACK.

NO. NO.
I'M FINE. THE FRESH AIR IS HELPING. WE DON'T NEED TO GO BACK. BESIDES, WE PROMISED OLI TOMATOES AND I'D HATE TO DISSAPPOINT HIM.

TOMATOES... GOOD FROM YOUR HEAD TO YOUR TOES....
FRESH TOMATOES.... AH!

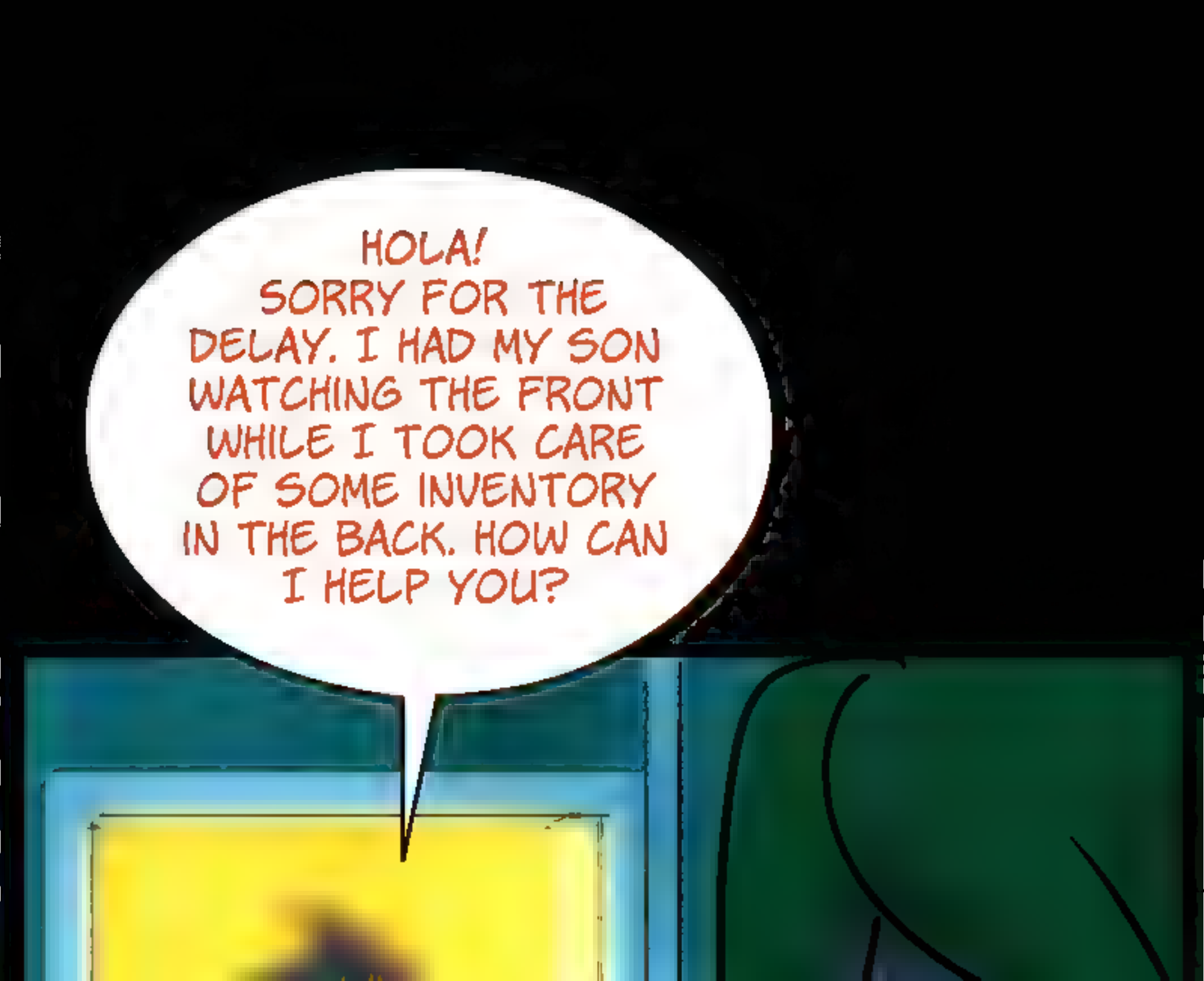
HEY...
UHH...ARE YOU
IN CHARGE OF
THIS SHOP?

PAPA!
WE GOT CUSTOMERS!
THE SONG WORKED!

ARE YOU

SURE YOU'RE OKAY WITH CARRYING HALF THE TOMATOES? I COULD TAKE THEM ALL IF YOU NEED.
JUST BECAUSE I'M NOT FEELING MY BEST DOESN'T MEAN I SUDDENLY LOST THE

ABILITY TO LIFT
BOXES KODYA.

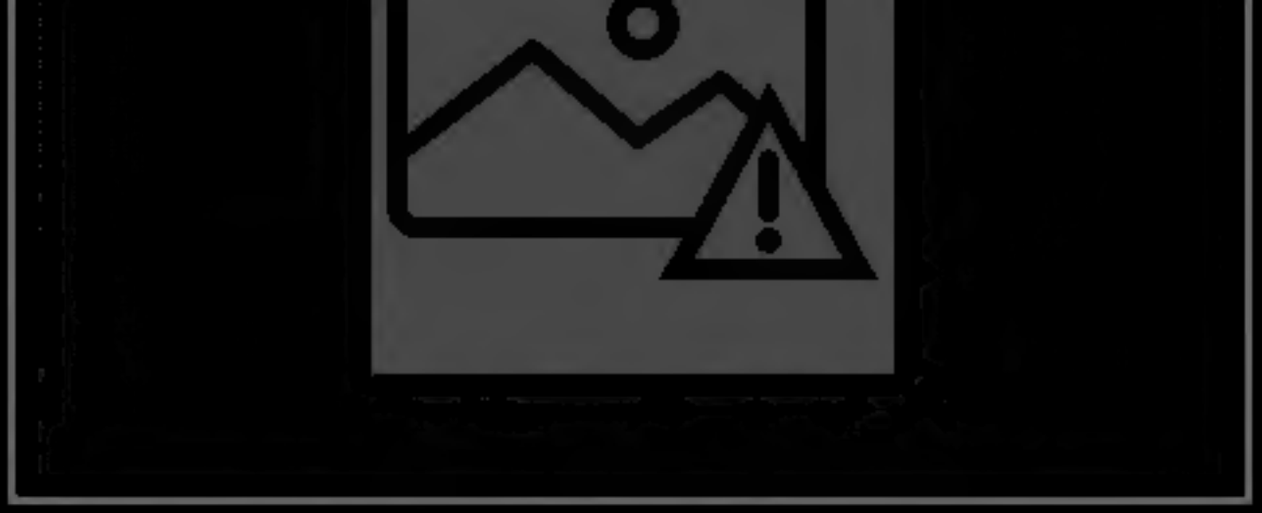

HOLA!
SORRY FOR THE DELAY. I HAD MY SON WATCHING THE FRONT WHILE I TOOK CARE OF SOME INVENTORY IN THE BACK. HOW CAN I HELP YOU?

WAIT.
I KNOW YOU,
FROM MY
DREAMS!

YOU DREAMED ABOUT *HIM?*
DON SANTIAGO... ISN'T THAT YOUR NAME?

Y-YES...

GYRUS..?



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